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Miss Helen Woelfel
1802 Third Street
Louisville 8, Kentucky

Dear Miss Woelfel:

I do want to thank you for your thoughtful letter of July 31, 1950, and your interest in bringing to my attention the newspaper clippings from the Louisville Courier-Journal. I am also grateful for the good wishes you extended.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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July 31, 1950

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Here are some more clippings from the
Louisville Courier-Journal which you might
like to see.

Please do not feel that an acknowledg-
ment of their receipt is necessary.

All good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Helen Woelfel
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Potential Fifth Column

Director J. Edgar Hoover of the Federal Bureau of Investigation made public recently the fact that we have 54,000 admitted Communists in this country, and, according to Mr. Hoover's report, 500,000 "fellow travelers" are trying by every possible means to keep their unlawful activities hidden.

Among the actions traceable to Communists are stirring up agitation about civil rights in the Southern states, infiltrating the government wherever possible, infiltrating heavy industry and communications. They have even succeeded in infiltrating the legal profession.

When we break down Mr. Hoover's figures, we find that 554,000 Communists and "fellow travelers" who follow the party line are ready, willing and able to do the party's work. In other words, there is a potential fifth column of 554,000 people dedicated to this philosophy.

The bright spot in the picture, I think, is Mr. Hoover himself. He is rendering a signal service to his country and deserves adequate help and cooperation from all who want to rid the country of Communists.

Stoneville, N. C.



Drastic Measures Urged

Communism, organized crime and sex criminals indicate the duty that we neglect. The people want a strong and fearless president, like Governor Driscoll of New Jersey, Governor Browning of Tennessee, Governor Tuck of Virginia, or J. Edgar Hoover.

Every American city needs 1,000 to 5,000 additional policemen. The American people are requesting a ten-year appropriation for the F.B.I., to free the F.B.I. from political patronage and the undue influence of Congress and the White House. The arrest of every Communist and the destruction of Communist newspapers and literature by policemen, sheriffs and the F.B.I. are imperative.

World wars and disease are a blessing if they teach the people to wake up and fight for self-preservation and for honesty and health.

Veterans are denied their presence at court trials when arrested and accused of insanity. I challenge the newspapers, the D.A.V., the V.F.W., and the American Legion to terminate this illegal procedure because the Communist and the criminal are always permitted to be present at their trial.

Lexington, Ky.

HUME ADAMS HAYS.

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Than Remain Washington's Intelligence Expert

The admiral has done a better job of foreign intelligence than Congress gives him credit for, but he has never been particularly happy in the job and would like to get back to a battleship. Hillenkoetter was former commander of the Battleship Missouri, comes from the State of Missouri, and was picked by Truman personally for the difficult intelligence assignment.

General Smith knows the Russians, and would be better than most military men for this assignment. However, Congress, in creating Central Intelligence, did not intend that it be run by the military. Past experience has shown that civilians are better qualified to direct detective-espionage agencies.

Hoover is one of the best organizers: in government, has built up one of the best-trained investigation bureaus the world has ever seen, and has it in such good shape that it could operate under a new director.

That is why a man of Hoover's genius ought to be used to head an agency which today has become even more important than the F.B.I.

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Even G.O.P. Congressman Robert ("where - are - you - going - to - get - the money?") Rich of Pennsylvania agreed. However, Taft didn't enthuse over a facetious suggestion by Huber that the Ohio Senator sponsor tax increase legislation—never a popular issue in an election year.

INTERESTING new evidence gradually accumulates in the Justice Department's belated probe of Senator Brewster's eavesdropping on Howard Hughes, the West Coast aviation mogul.

It turned out, however, that Brewster



Admiral Hillenkoetter

It also turned out, two years later, that Brewster had used the metropolitan police of the District of Columbia to tap Howard Hughes's phone and put a microphone in his room. In fact, Police Chief Robert Barrett submitted a report to the Justice Department almost one year ago that one of his officers, Lieut. Joseph Shimon, had been tapping wires for Senator Brewster's investigating committee.

However, the Justice Department, after letting the wire-tapping report gather dust for nine months, finally got around to ordering an F.B.I. investigation. And the most interesting thing the F.B.I. has turned up is a statement made to a G-man by Lieut. Shimon that Senator Brewster's secretary paid him for his wire-tapping.

So far, Shimon has stuck to a very careful story. He admits tapping Howard Hughes's phone, but he does not admit giving any information about the wire-tapping to the senator. This is aimed to let Brewster off the hook.

The senator from Maine, in turn, has figured out an interesting excuse for his association with the police lieutenant. Friends were worried over threats of physical violence, he says, so Shimon was hired to protect him. In the course of protecting him, the police lieutenant tapped the wire of Howard Hughes—the last person, incidentally, who would have attacked Brewster physically.

It sounds awfully far-fetched, but believe it or not, that's the alibi.

Meanwhile, Senator Neely of West Virginia, chairman of the District of Columbia committee in charge of police affairs, has suddenly got extremely cold feet over the thought of probing a fellow senator.